



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FY 10-11

Executive Budget Review

Department of
Agriculture and Forestry



The Department of Agriculture and Forestry includes the following 7 programs:

- Management and Finance
- Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
- Animal Health Services
- Agro-Consumer Services
- Forestry
- Soil and Water Conservation
- Auxiliary



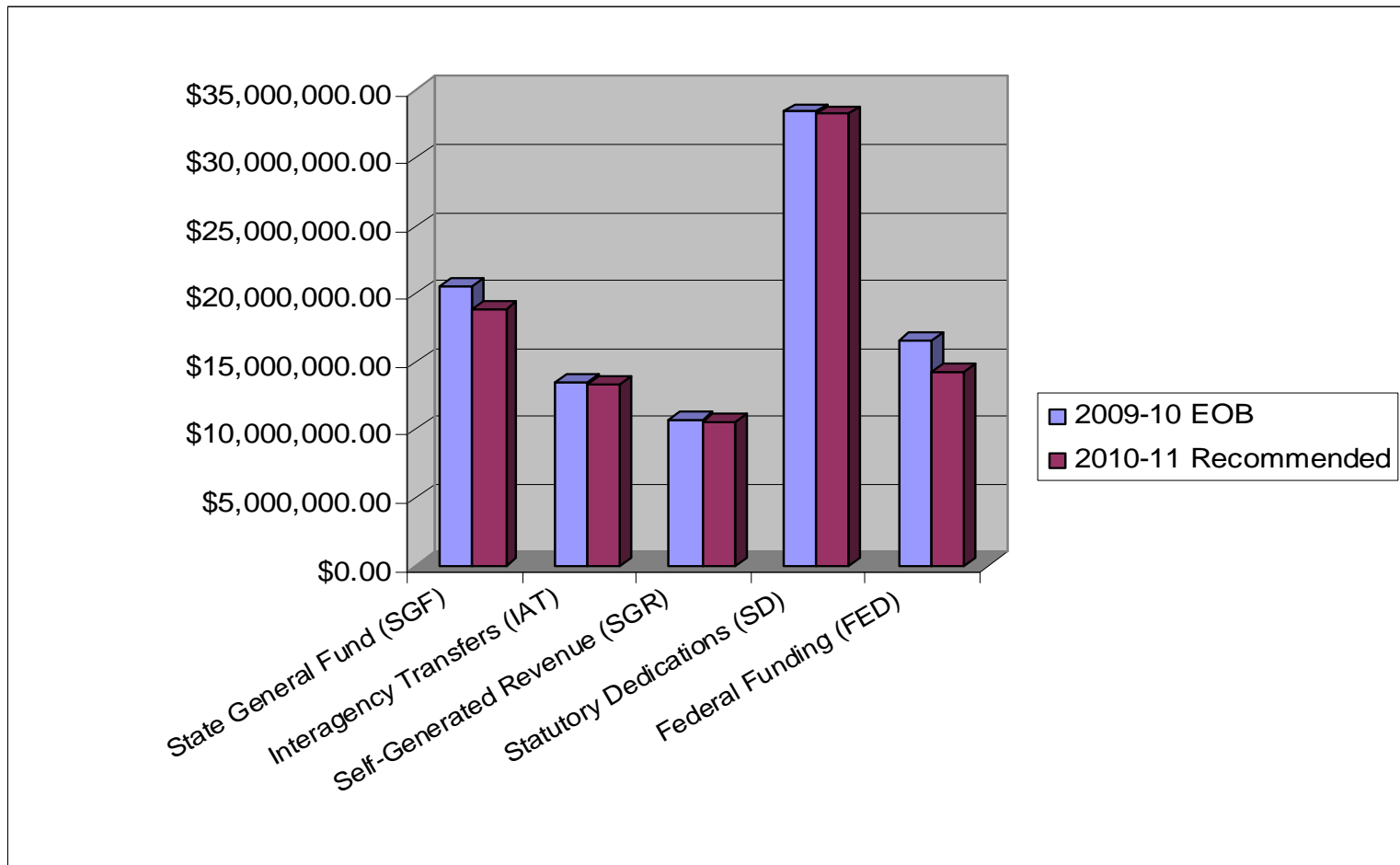
Executive Budget by Means of Finance

Department of Agriculture and Forestry					
Means of Financing (MOF)	Actual Expenditures FY 2008-09	Existing Operating Budget FY 2009-10 (12/1/09)	Executive Budget FY 2010-11	Change From FY 09-10 to FY 10-11	Percent Change From FY 09-10 to FY 10-11
State General Fund (SGF)	\$54,604,091	\$20,559,245	\$18,859,109	(\$1,700,136)	-8.27%
Interagency Transfers (IAT)	\$7,159,451	\$13,509,419	\$13,345,938	(\$163,481)	-1.21%
Fees and Self-gen. Rev. (SGR)	\$5,962,065	\$10,791,584	\$10,559,413	(\$232,171)	-2.15%
Statutory Dedications (SD)	\$34,231,748	\$33,394,085	\$33,216,470	(\$177,615)	-0.53%
Interim Emergency Board	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds (FED)	\$12,300,678	\$16,550,706	\$14,297,139	(\$2,253,567)	-13.62%
TOTAL MOF	\$114,258,033	\$94,805,039	\$90,278,069	(\$4,526,970)	-4.78%
Authorized Positions	785	710	685	-25	-3.52%

Major Sources of Revenue Include: statutory dedications (fees for applications, permits and inspections, registration fees, license fees, assessments on agricultural commodities) and federal funds (grants for various forestry and soil and water resources programs).

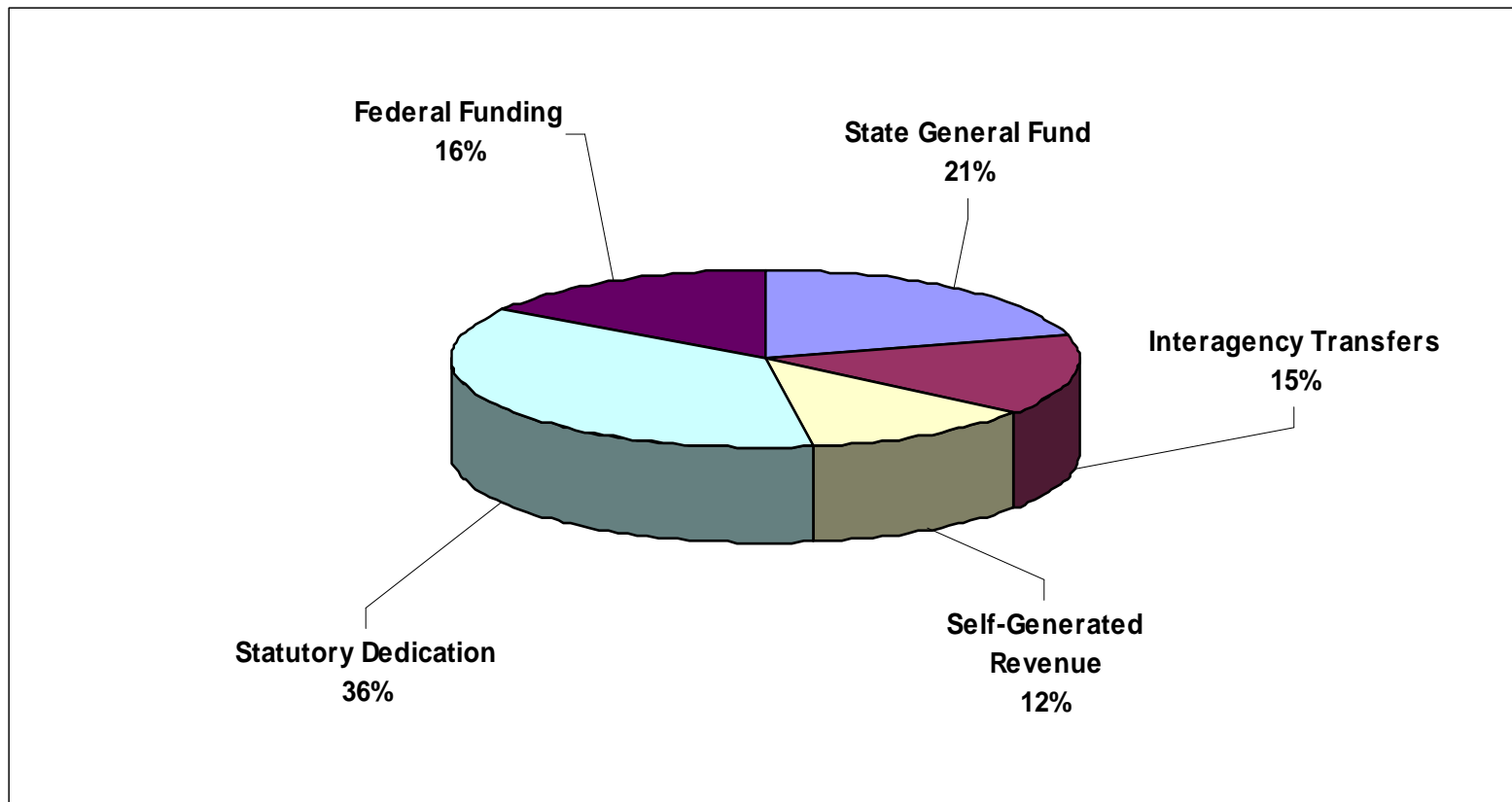


FY 09-10 EOB (12/01/09) vs. FY 10-11 Executive Budget





Department of Agriculture and Forestry FY 10-11 Executive Budget by Means of Finance





Federal Stimulus Funds

- \$12.9 million federal funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, State Fiscal Stabilization Flex Grants funds in place of State General Fund monies to support the Management and Finance program (\$10,200,745) and the Animal Health program (\$2,745,193).

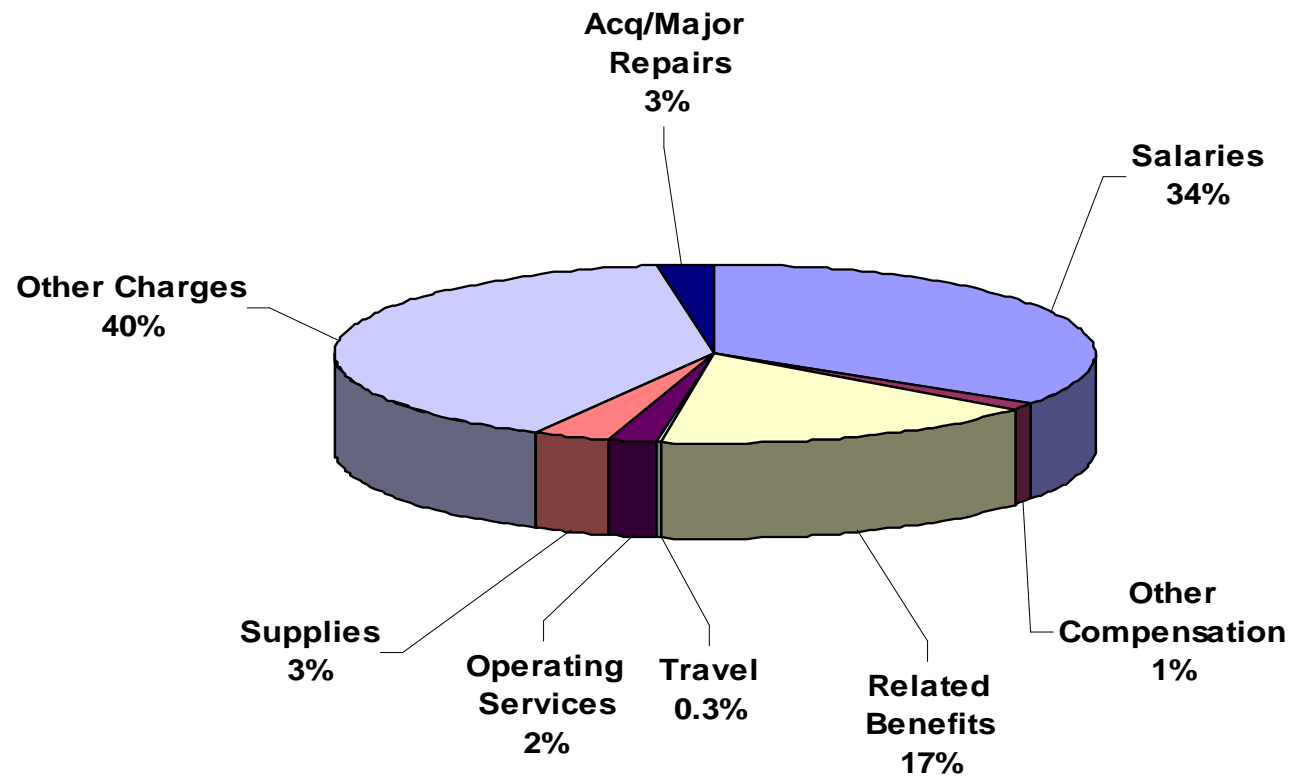


FY 10-11 Executive Budget by Expenditure

Department of Agriculture and Forestry					
Expenditures	FY 08-09 Actual	FY 09-010 Existing Operating Budget	FY 10-11 Executive Budget	Change from FY 09-10 to FY 10-11	Percent Change
Salaries	\$ 35,763,900	\$ 34,149,211	\$ 31,117,215	\$ (3,031,996)	-8.9%
Other Compensation	\$ 1,247,982	\$ 1,025,154	\$ 1,012,526	\$ (12,628)	-1.2%
Related Benefits	\$ 14,420,879	\$ 13,222,178	\$ 15,091,299	\$ 1,869,121	14.1%
Travel	\$ 215,595	\$ 247,952	\$ 232,034	\$ (15,918)	-6.4%
Operating Services	\$ 3,202,292	\$ 3,948,287	\$ 1,651,237	\$ (2,297,050)	-58.2%
Supplies	\$ 7,979,057	\$ 2,989,090	\$ 2,960,478	\$ (28,612)	-1.0%
Prof Svcs	\$ 94,308	\$ 164,874	\$ 140,221	\$ (24,653)	-15.0%
Other Charges	\$ 50,752,748	\$ 38,513,814	\$ 35,734,860	\$ (2,778,954)	-7.2%
Acq/Major Repairs	\$ 581,272	\$ 544,479	\$ 2,338,199	\$ 1,793,720	329.4%
TOTAL EXP	\$ 114,258,033	\$ 94,805,039	\$ 90,278,069	\$ (4,526,970)	-4.8%



FY 10-11 Executive Budget by Expenditure





Significant Budget Changes

(\$5.7 million)

Eliminates the Marketing program and transfers 35 T.O. per Act 24 of 2009 to other programs in department (\$901,287 SGF; \$2.6 million SGR; \$2.1 million FED).

\$3.4 million

Transfers funding to the Office of Animal Health Services and 22 T.O. from the Office of Marketing per Act 24 of 2009 (\$259,552 SGF; \$2.1 million SGR; \$1.04 million FED).

\$970,000

Transfers funding to the Office of Management & Finance and 10 T.O. from the Office of Marketing per Act 24 of 2009 (\$574,000 SGF; \$394,000 SGR).

\$887,000

Transfers funding to the Office of Agro-Consumer Services and 2 T.O. from the Office of Marketing per Act 24 of 2009 (\$8,500 SGF; \$141,000 SGR; \$737,000 FED).

\$59,000 SGF

Provides funding to the Agricultural & Environmental Sciences program and transfers 1 T.O. from the Office of Marketing per Act 24 of 2009.



Significant Budget Changes

\$3.6 million

Provides funding for a salary base adjustment (\$1.8 million SGF; \$208,228 IAT; \$33,229 SGR; \$1.5 million SD).

\$1.4 million SD

Provides funding for aircraft maintenance/repairs in the Office of Forestry in accordance with FAA guidelines.

\$1.3 million

Provides funding for state employee retirement rate adjustment (\$770,526 SGF; \$198,941 IAT; \$31,997 SGR; \$131,875 SD).



Significant Budget Changes

\$1 million

Provides funding for acquisitions & major repairs (\$352,500 IAT; \$147,461 SGR; \$508,431 FED).

\$708,000 SD

Provides funding to the Agricultural & Environmental Sciences program for upgrading and replacing equipment and the purchasing of supplies.

\$706,000 FED

Provides funding for equipment and supplies for wildfire suppression for the Office of Forestry.



Significant Budget Changes

- (\$3.1 million) SD** Decreases the Louisiana Agricultural Finance Authority funding from the Agricultural & Environmental Sciences program to fund projects in other agency programs.
- (\$3 million)** Decreases funding for group insurance for retirees and related benefits funding from other line items.
- (\$2 million) FED** Decreases grant funding for the Office of Forestry.
- (\$1.2 million)** Decreases 25 vacant T.O. and related funding (\$389,736 SGF; \$113,798 IAT; \$504,617 SD; \$228,000 FED).
- (\$1.05 million) SGF** Annualization of the mid-year deficit reduction for FY 09-10 from the Agricultural & Environmental Sciences program.



Discretionary vs. Non-Discretionary Funding FY 10-11

Discretionary	\$73,395,912	81.30%
Non-Discretionary	\$16,882,157	18.70%
Total	\$90,278,069	100.00%

- The non discretionary funding includes the salary for the Commissioner of Agriculture, retiree insurance and debt service payments.



**Department of Agriculture and Forestry
Statutory Dedication Comparison**

Statutory Dedications	FY08-09 Actual Expenditures	FY 09-10 Existing Operating Budget 12/1/09	FY 10-11 Executive Budget	Change FY 09-10 to FY 10-11	Percent Change
La Agricultural Finance Authority Fund	\$12,000,000	\$12,000,000	\$12,000,000	\$0	0.0%
Petroleum & Petroleum Products Fund	\$5,390,622	\$5,397,549	\$5,361,620	-\$35,929	-0.7%
Pesticide Fund	\$3,490,490	\$3,511,505	\$3,500,305	-\$11,200	-0.3%
Forestry Productivity Fund	\$3,034,857	\$3,034,857	\$2,930,240	-\$104,617	-3.4%
Boll Weevil Eradication Fund	\$1,555,405	\$1,440,000	\$1,443,344	\$3,344	0.2%
Weights & Measures Fund	\$2,372,954	\$1,368,909	\$1,355,324	-\$13,585	-1.0%
Agricultural Commodity D/W Fund	\$1,242,985	\$1,245,524	\$1,226,710	-\$18,814	-1.5%
Structural Pest Control Comm. Fund	\$624,617	\$1,071,499	\$987,625	-\$83,874	-7.8%
Forest Protection Fund	\$807,200	\$830,000	\$830,000	\$0	0.0%
Horticulture Commission Fund	\$920,982	\$845,559	\$754,059	-\$91,500	-10.8%
Grain and Cotton Indemnity Fund	\$0	\$534,034	\$534,034	\$0	0.0%
Seed Commission Fund	\$424,250	\$344,026	\$522,586	\$178,560	51.9%
Fertilizer Fund	\$22,872	\$415,144	\$415,144	\$0	0.0%
Commercial feed Fund	\$479,666	\$373,466	\$373,466	\$0	0.0%
Agricultural Commodity Self Insur Fund	\$0	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$0	0.0%
Sweet Potato Pests & Disease Fund	\$96,142	\$315,107	\$315,107	\$0	0.0%
Feed Comission Fund	\$146,369	\$198,506	\$198,506	\$0	0.0%
Crop Pests and Disease Fund	\$105,776	\$105,930	\$105,930	\$0	0.0%
Livestock Brand Commission Fund	\$10,470	\$10,470	\$10,470	\$0	0.0%
Apiary Fund	\$1,663	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL	\$32,727,320	\$33,394,085	\$33,216,470	-\$177,615	-0.5%



Department of Agriculture and Forestry

- Major Statutory Dedications -

➤ Boll Weevil Eradication Fund (R.S. 3:1615)

- Funds are used for the eradication of the boll weevil in Louisiana. All assessments, fees, penalties and all other funds received shall be deposited immediately upon receipt into the state treasury and shall be credited to the state treasury.
- \$1,440,000 was appropriated in FY 09-10. There was a \$1,423,627 balance as of 2/09/10.

➤ The Louisiana Agricultural Finance Authority (LAFA) (R.S. 3:261-284):

- The authority was established to issue bonds to provide financing for agricultural loans through the purchase or guarantee of existing loans or negotiation of new loans and to supervise and use public employees, equipment and material in carrying out public work.

The bonds are limited special obligations of the authority and do not constitute a general, special or moral obligation of the State of Louisiana.

- \$12,000,000 was appropriated in FY 09-10. There was a \$6,499,414 fund balance as of 2/09/10.



Department of Agriculture and Forestry SALARIES/ POSITIONS

\$32 million for Salaries and Other Compensation and \$15 million for Related Benefits. Total Salaries and Related Benefits are \$47 million or 52% of the total budget.

- Average Salary for the Department = \$46,715
- 685 positions (644 classified and 41 unclassified)
- As of 2/23/10, the department had 65 vacancies
- 5 yr historical vacancy rate = 25 positions